# **BookletChart**

# Chesapeake Bay - Approaches to Baltimore Harbor

(NOAA Chart 12278)



A reduced scale NOAA nautical chart for small boaters. When possible, use the full size NOAA chart for navigation.

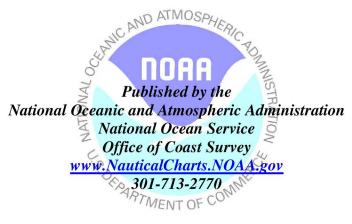
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# What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

# What is a BookletChart<sup>™</sup>?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at <a href="http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov">http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov</a>.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

# **Notice to Mariners Correction Status**

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



# [Coast Pilot, Chapter 15 excerpts]

- (13) **Bodkin Creek** has depths of 9 feet in the approaches and 7 to 9 feet into its branches. Shoaling to 3 feet is between Daybeacon 9 and Light 11.
- (14) **Back Creek**. A boatyard is in the upper part. Gasoline and slips are available.
- (15) **Main Creek** is separated from Back Creek by **Spit Neck**. Both branches have depths of 7 to 9 feet almost to their heads.
- (16) **Graveyard Point**. Gasoline, diesel fuel, slips, and some marine supplies.
- (21) **Rock Creek** has depths of 11 feet almost to the head. It is marked. (22) **Wall Cove**; centerline depths of 10 feet for most of its length but shoaling to 5 feet near the head. The Maryland Yacht Club piers have depths of 13 feet.
- (23) Wall Cove and Rock Creek; marine supplies, gasoline, diesel fuel, and water.

- (24) **Stony Creek** has depths of 12 feet. The channel along the west side of the entrance is marked by a light and buoys; the east side is obstructed by rocks. A marina above the bridge has gasoline.
- (25) **Nabbs Creek** has depths of 12 feet almost to the head. A marina near the head has gasoline, diesel fuel, berths, and marine supplies.
- (26) **Back Cove** has depths of 12 feet to a boatyard. Gasoline is available.
- (27) **Old Road Bay** has depths of 7 to 12 feet. A light marks a shoal that extends westward from North Point; a light 0.25 mile off the north shore marks a shoal that extends 0.5 mile from the west shore.
- (28) **North Point Creek** and **Jones Creek** have depths of 4 to 6 feet. Approach by passing east of the light off the north shore. Small-craft facilities are in both creeks.
- (143) A depth of 13 feet can be carried up Curtis Creek from Arundel Cove to the forks. **Furnace Creek** had depths of 11 feet for 0.8 mile, then shoals to 4 feet at the bridge; the bridge has a clearance of 8 feet. **Marley Creek** had a depth of 5 feet for 1.6 miles, thence 3½ feet to the bridge; the bridge has a clearance of 9 feet.
- (167) **Tolchester Beach**; the depth was 6 feet in the channel; depths of 4 to 6 feet were in the basin. Gasoline, diesel fuel, marine supplies, and berths are available.
- (168) **Fairlee Creek**. The buoyed entrance has depths of 6 feet. A marina with berthing facilities is inside the entrance; gasoline, diesel fuel, and marine supplies.
- (170) **Worton Creek;** depths of 10 to 12 feet at the entrance and 7 feet inside for 1.4 miles. Good anchorage, protected from easterly winds in depths of 11 to 12 feet inside the entrance. A good, well-protected anchorage in depths of 6 to 9 feet is in the creek below Buck Neck Landing.
- (171) **Green Point Wharf** has gasoline, berths, and marine supplies. **Buck Neck Landing** has gasoline, diesel fuel, and berthing facilities; marine supplies. The public bulkhead adjoining the fuel pier has depths of 6 feet.
- (172) **Pooles Island** is a portion of Aberdeen Proving Ground constituting prohibited land areas and dangerous water areas. Landing is prohibited.
- (178) The approach to the rivers between North Point and Pooles Island is through a buoyed side lane southwestward of Pooles Island Bar Light.
- (179) **Hawk Cove** has depths of 8 to 11 feet and good anchorage.
- (180) A passage leads to Hawk Cove; the depth was  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet (5 feet at midchannel). The channel is marked by lights and daybeacons.
- (181) **Back River** has depths of 7 to 4 feet for 6 miles to a bridge with a clearance of 16 feet. The channel, marked by buoys and daybeacons, is clear except for a 4-foot middle ground halfway between Hawk Cove and the bridge.
- (182) There are small-craft facilities on both sides of Back River.
- (183) **Middle River** is entered through a marked channel which leads to an anchorage basin at **Dark Head Creek**; the depth was 6.7 feet (9.4 feet at midchannel) to the anchorage basin; 9.4 feet in the basin. The west fork of Middle River has depths of 7 feet to within 0.5 mile of a bridge near the head.
- (184) A 6 m.p.h. **speed limit** is enforced on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
- (187) **Frog Mortar Creek** has depths of 6 to 8 feet. A 12-foot marked channel leads from Middle River to the seaplane basin on the west side above the entrance. A 6 m.p.h. **speed limit** is enforced on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
- (191) **Seneca Creek** has depths of 8 feet in the entrance and 5 to 6 feet into the arms. A light marks the shoal on the east side of the entrance. Gasoline, slips, and marine supplies can be obtained along the creek.
- (192) **Gunpowder River** is entered through a channel marked by a light and buoys west of **Spry Island Shoal**, in midentrance; the shoal is covered 2 to 4 feet; the river channel had depths of 8 feet for 2 miles; 2 to
  - 9 feet for 4 miles; 3 feet in a channel leading to a creek below Joppatowne with depths of 4 to 7 feet, thence 4 feet in the marina basin at Joppatowne.

# **Table of Selected Chart Notes**

AREA 1 Fishing traps permitted Oct 2 to May 19 inclusive

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

Corrected through NM Dec. 15/07 Corrected through LNM Dec. 11/07

Mercator Projection Scale 1:40,000 at Lat. 39° 10'

North American Datum of 1983 (World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDINGS IN FEET AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

SUBMARINE PIPELINES AND CABLES
Charted submarine pipelines and submarine cables and submarine pipeline and cable areas

Pipeline Area

Cable Area

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and sub-marine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme oecome exposed. Manners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draft in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anchoring, dragging, or trawling.

Covered wells may be marked by lighted or unlichted house.

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# MAGOTHY BIVER

The channel north of Gibson Island is marked by private lights from May 1 to November 1, which are not charted.

# RACING BUOYS

Racing buoys within the limits of this chart are not shown hereon. Information may be obtained from the U.S. Coast Guard District Offices as racing and other private buoys are not all listed in the U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

# RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

# AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

# SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS

SMALL CHAFT WARNINGS

During the boating season small-craft warnings will be displayed from sunrise to sunset on Maryland Marine Police Cruisers while underway in Maryland waters of the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries.

# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 3 for important supplemental information.

# LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

Differences of as much as 5° from the normal variation have been observed in the channel from Pooles Island to Howell Point (chart 12274).

# WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

# NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

NOVA WEATHER HAND BROADCASTS
The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Baltimore, MD KEC-83 Sudlersville, MD WXK-97 162.50 MHz Washington, DC (Manassas, VA) KHB-36 162.55 MHz

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

Mariners are warned to stay clear of the protective riprap surrounding navigational light structures shown thus:

## CALITION

BASCULE BRIDGE CLEARANCES

For bascule bridges, whose spans do not open to a full upright or vertical position, unlimited vertical clearance is not available for the entire charted horizontal clearance.

# CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

# PLANE COORDINATE GRID

(based on NAD 1927)

The Maryland State Grid is indicated on this chart at 20,000 foot intervals thus:

The last three digits are omitted.

# CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners. During some winter months or when endan-gered by loc. certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

NOTE C / CAUTION - Unexploded ammunition or ordnance (duds) may exist within the limits of the Restricted Area.

# POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

## £ 2 NOTE D

Small-craft operators are advised to use extreme caution in the vicinity of SEVEN-FOOT KNOLL LIGHT. Waves to twelve feet have been reported generated by larger vessels transiting

# NOTE A

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Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S.
Coast Pilot 3. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the
regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander,
5th Coast Guard District in Portsmouth, Virginia or at the
Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in
Baltimore, Maryland.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

# CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

Station positions are shown thus:

(Accurate location) o(Approximate location)

Additional information can be obtained at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

# SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

# AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

# CAUTION

# FISH TRAP AREAS AND STRUCTURES

FISH THAP AREAS AND STRUCTURES

Mariners are warned that numerous uncharted duck blinds and fishing structures, some submerged, may exist in the fish trap areas. Such structures are not charted unless known to be permanent. Regulations to assure clear passage to and through dredged and natural channels, and to established landings, are prescribed by the Corps of Engineers in the Code of Federal Regulations.

Definite limits of fish trap areas have been established in some areas, and those limits are shown thus:

Where definite limits have not been prescribed the location of

Where definite limits have not been prescribed, the location of fishing structures is restricted only by the regulations.

This nautical chart has been designed to promote safe navigation. The National Ocean Service encourages users to submit corrections, additions, or comments for mproving this chart to the Chief, Marine Chart Division (N/CS2), National Ocean Service, NOAA, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282.

# TIDAL INFORMATION

PLAC	DE	Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)			
NAME	(LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water	
Love Point Baltimore, Ft. McHenry	(39°02'N/76°18'W) (39°16'N/76°35'W)		feet 1.4 1.4	feet 0.2 0.2	

Dashes (- - -) located in datum columns indicate unavailable datum values for a tide station. Real-time water leve tide predictions, and tidal current predictions are available on the Internet from http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov.

# CHESAPEAKE AND DELAWARE CANAL CHANNEL DEPTHS

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NOTE - CONSULT THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS FOR CHANGES SUBSEQUENT TO THE ABOVE INFORMATION

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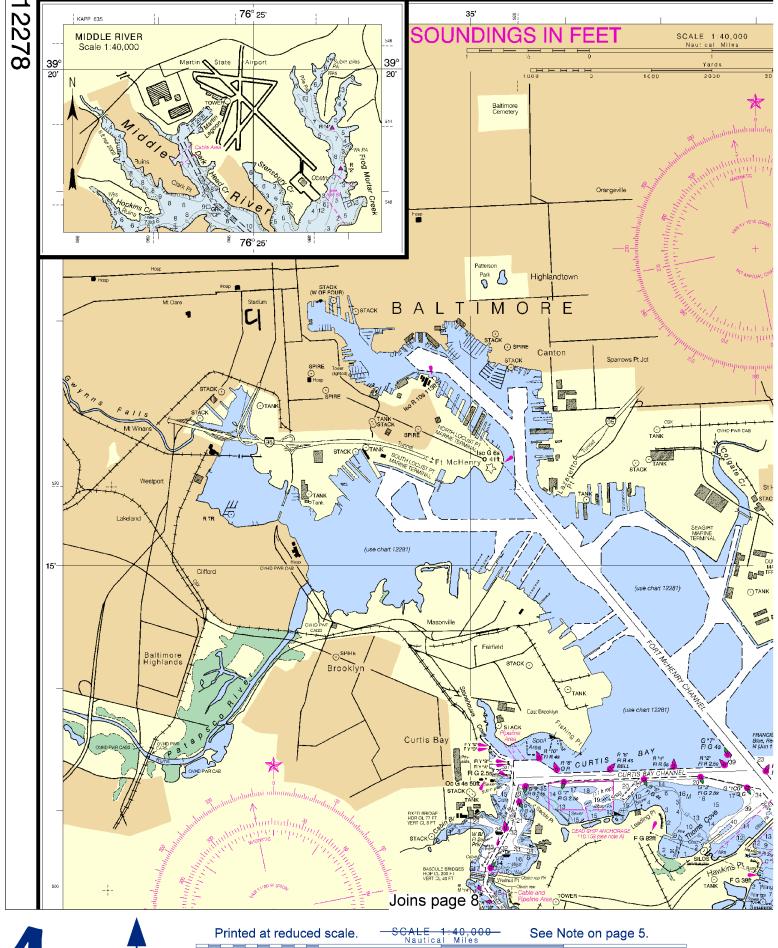
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CURTIS CREEK									
LOWER REACH	36.0	35.6	36.2	8-08	200	0.54	35		
MIDDLE REACH	19.6	20.6	18.4	8-08	200-380	1.09	22		
UPPER REACH	17.1	16.7	A14.8	8-08	200-100	0.55	22		

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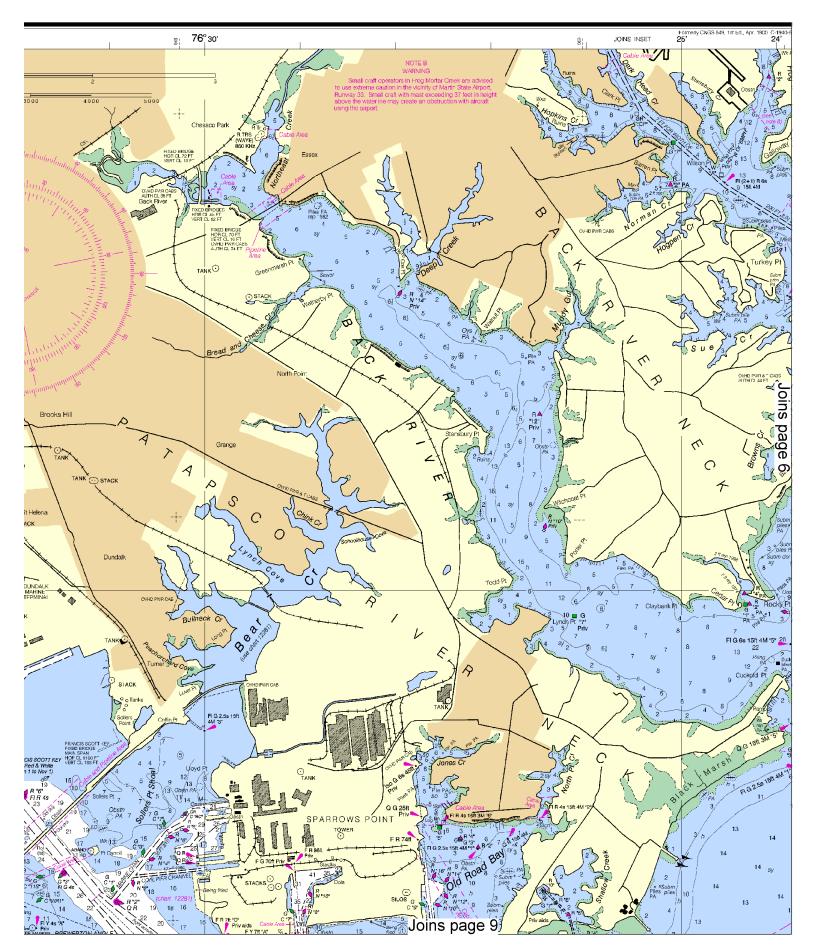
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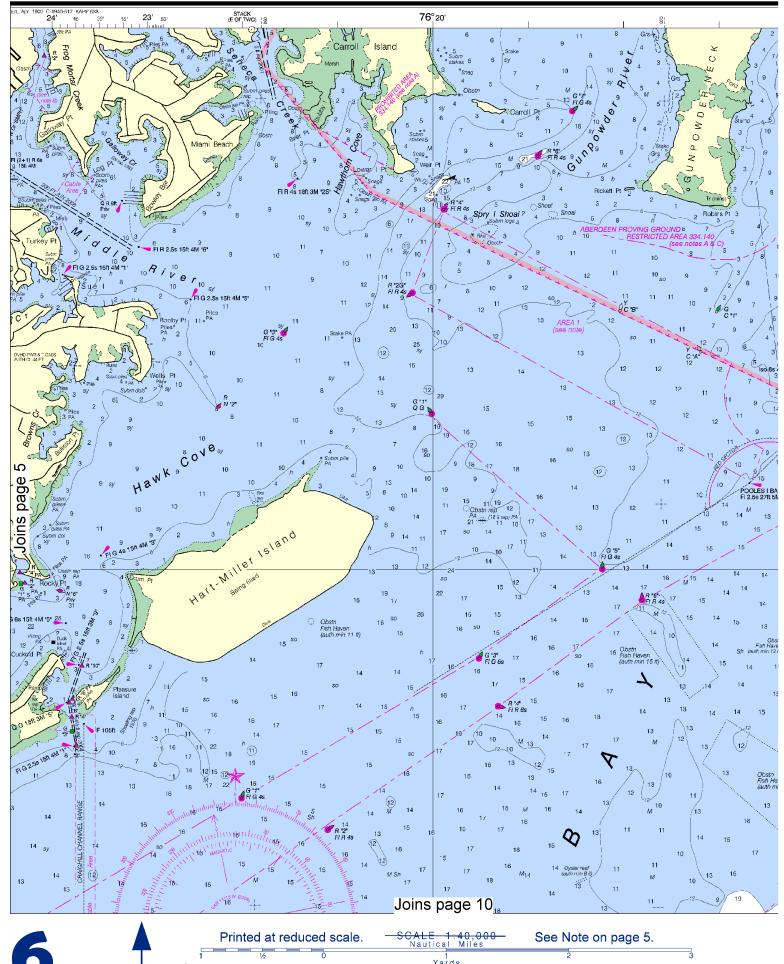




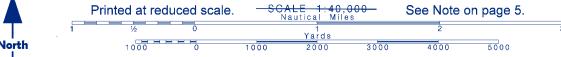


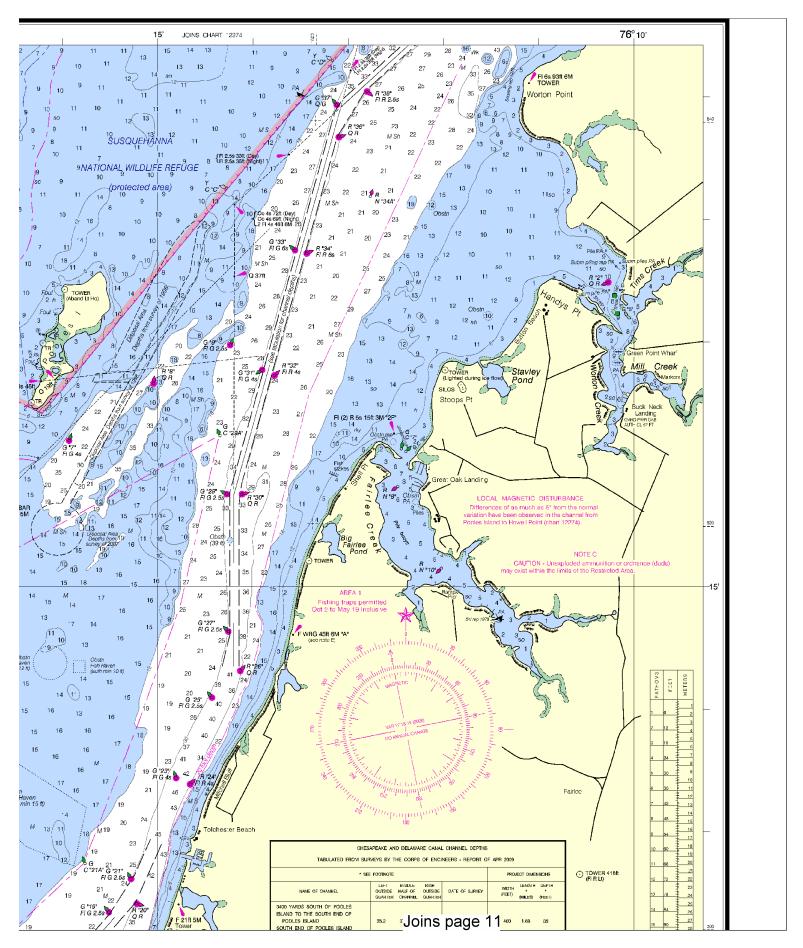


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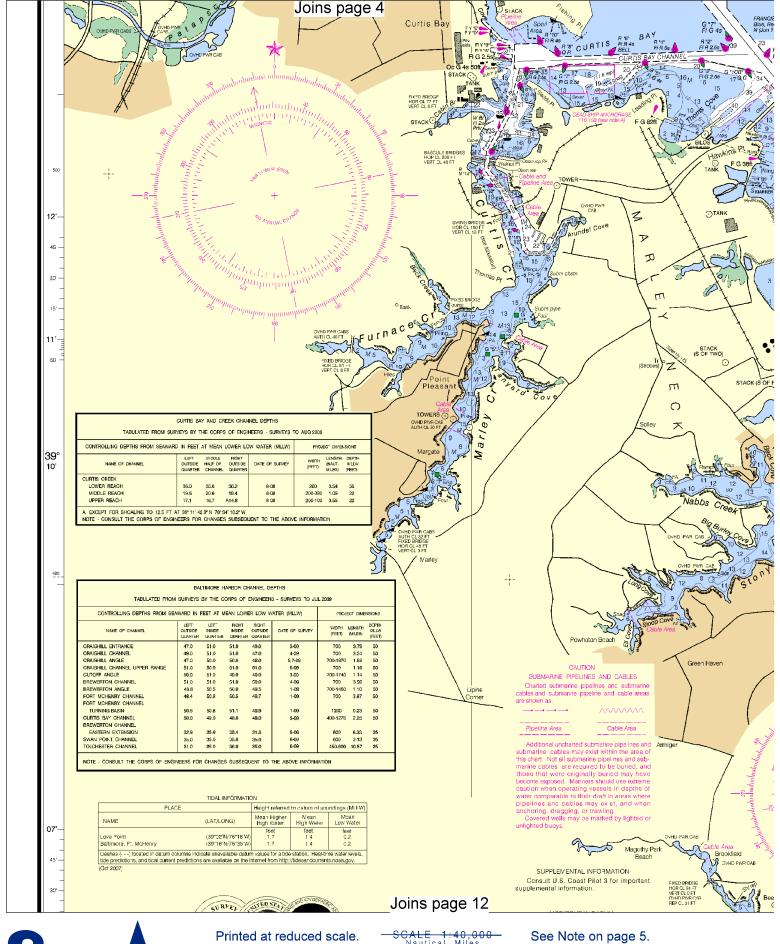




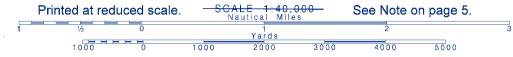


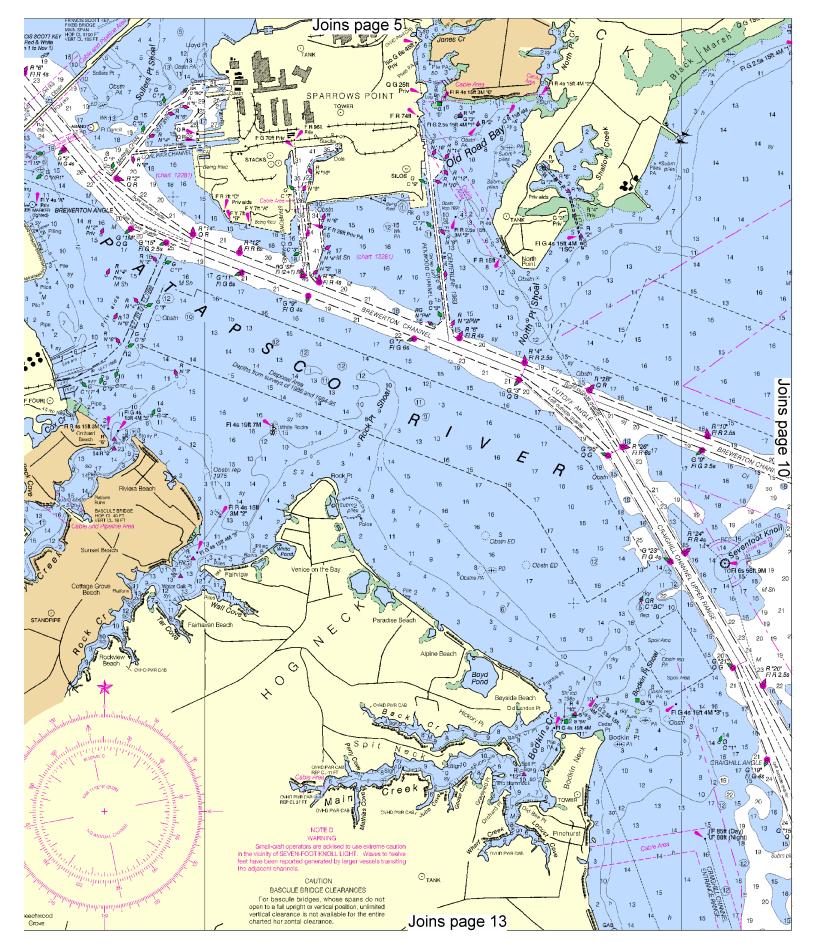


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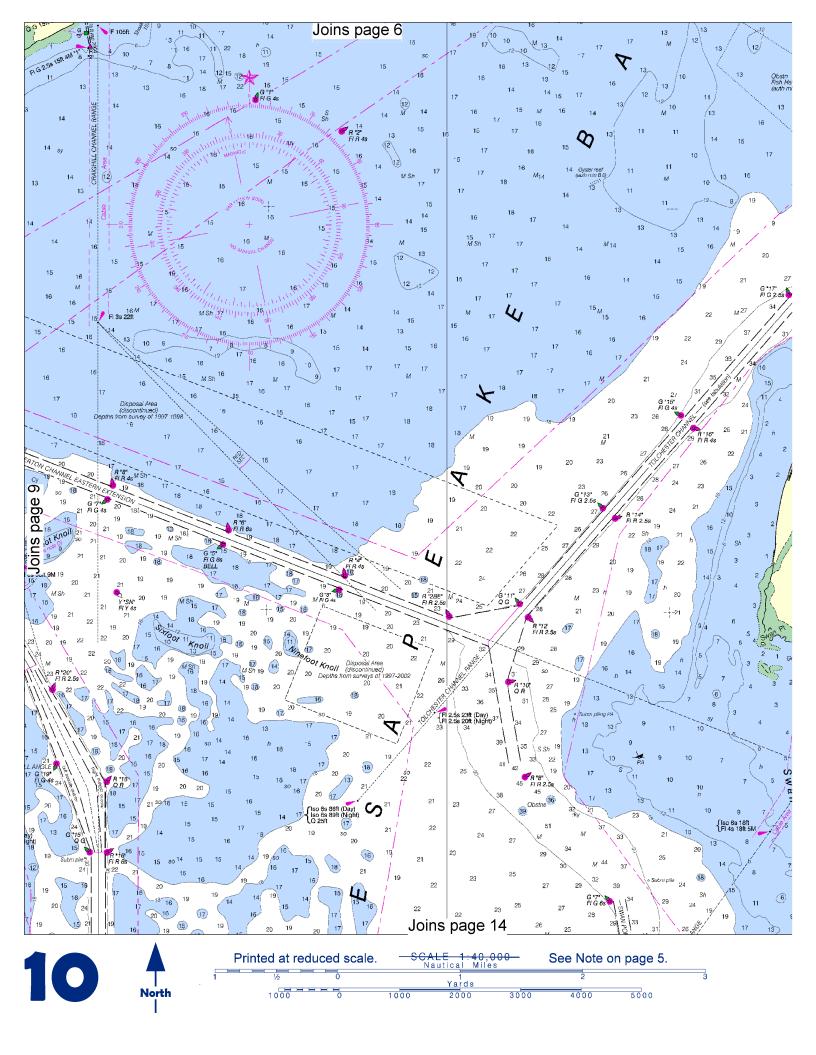


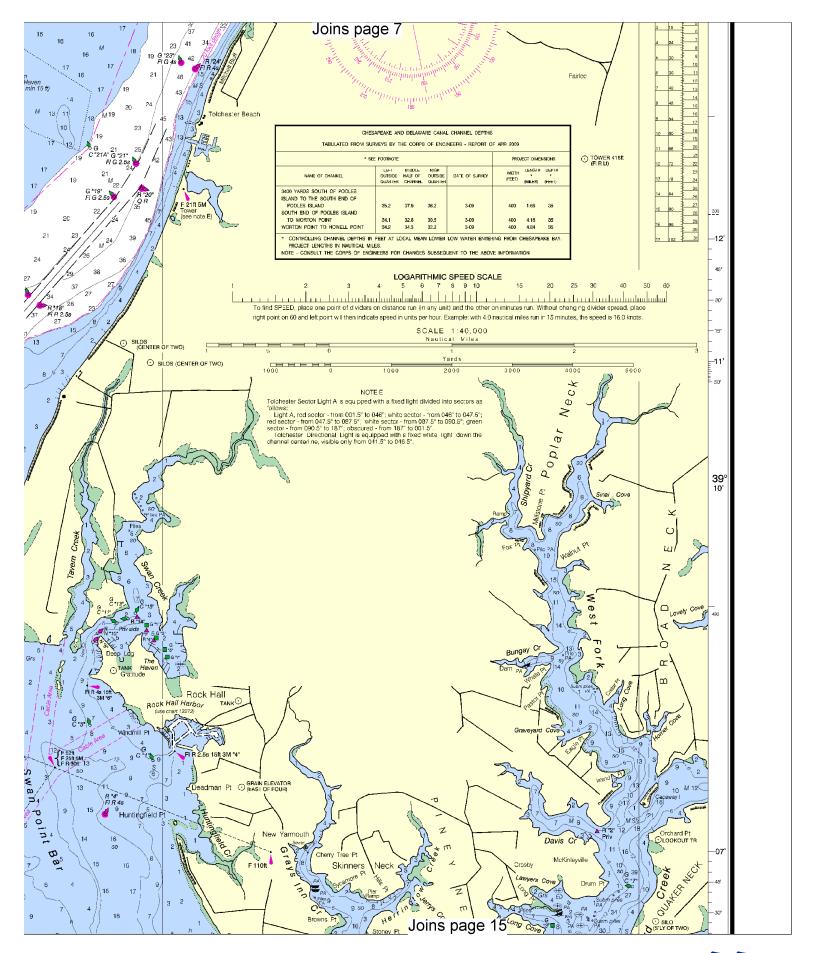


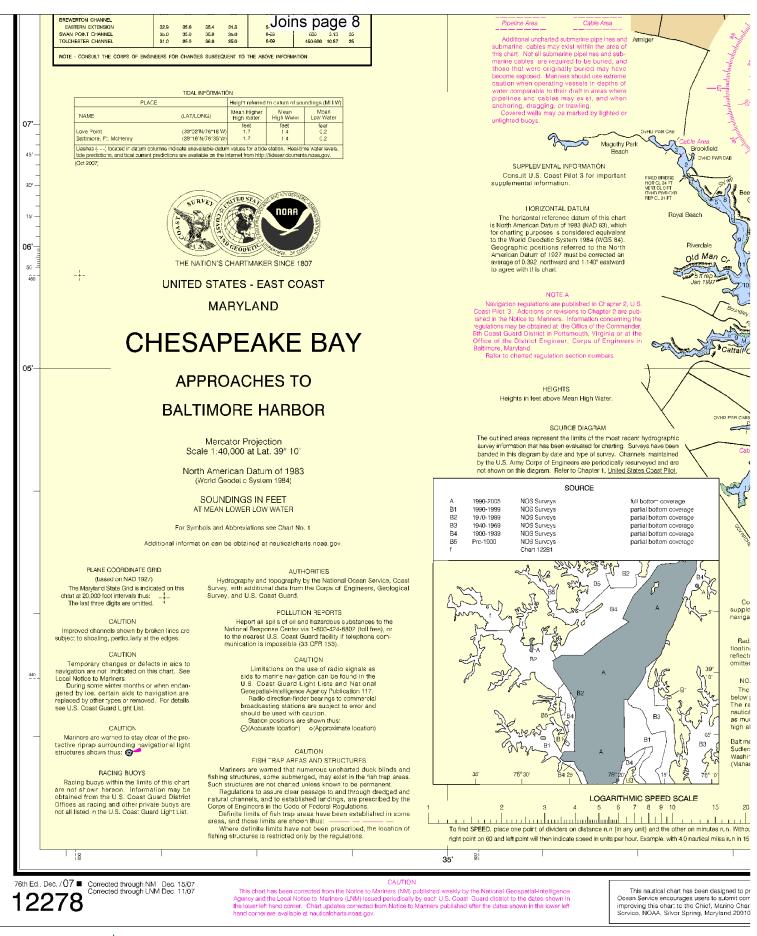


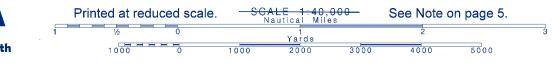


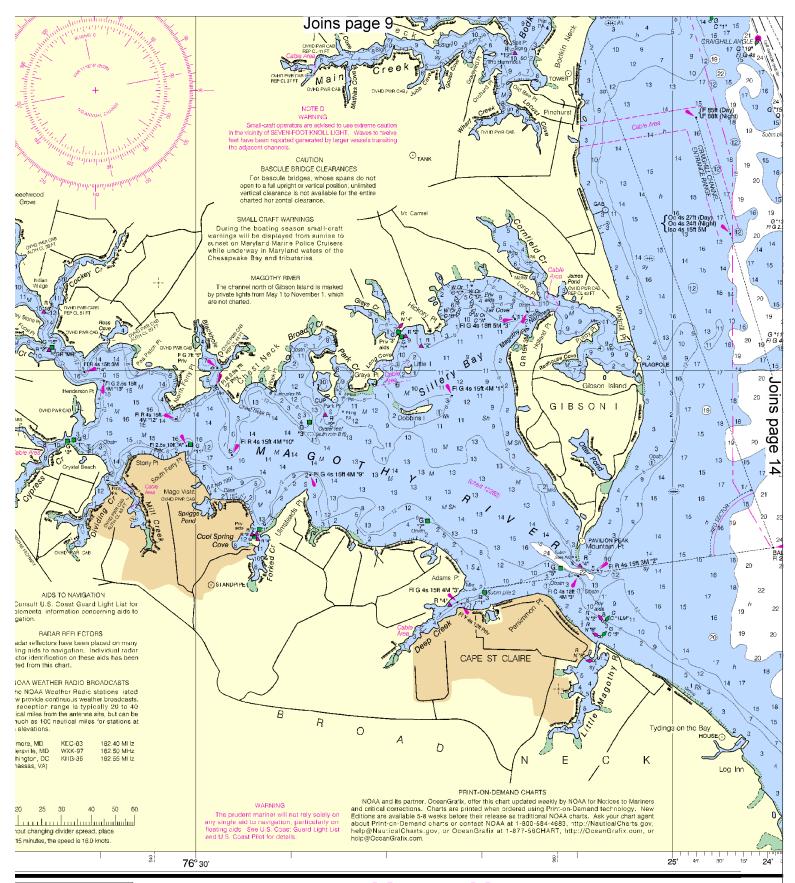








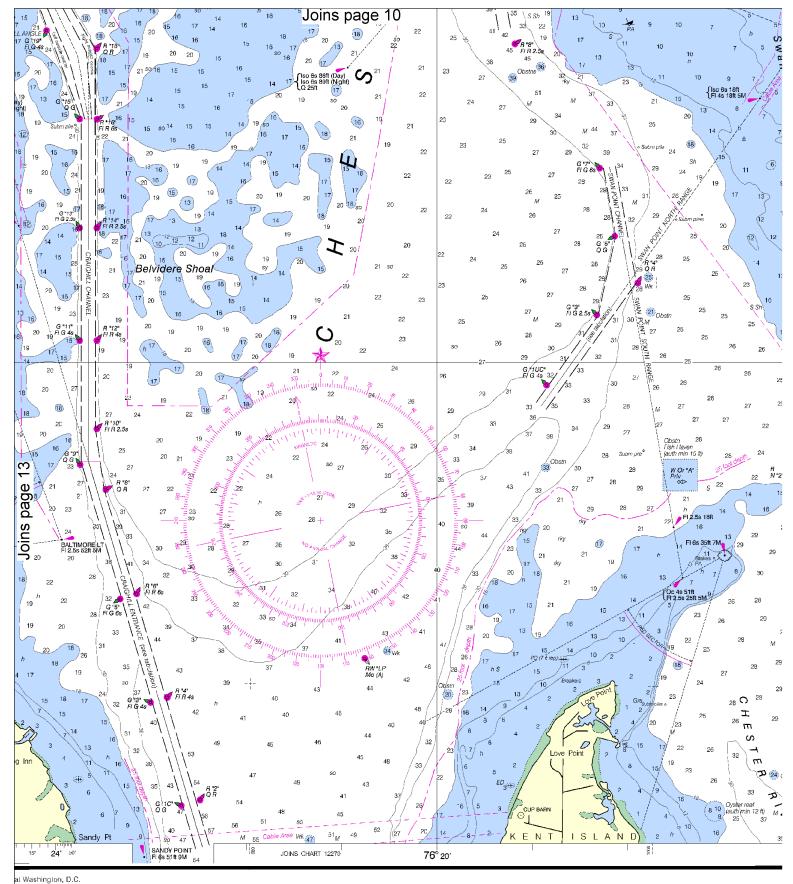




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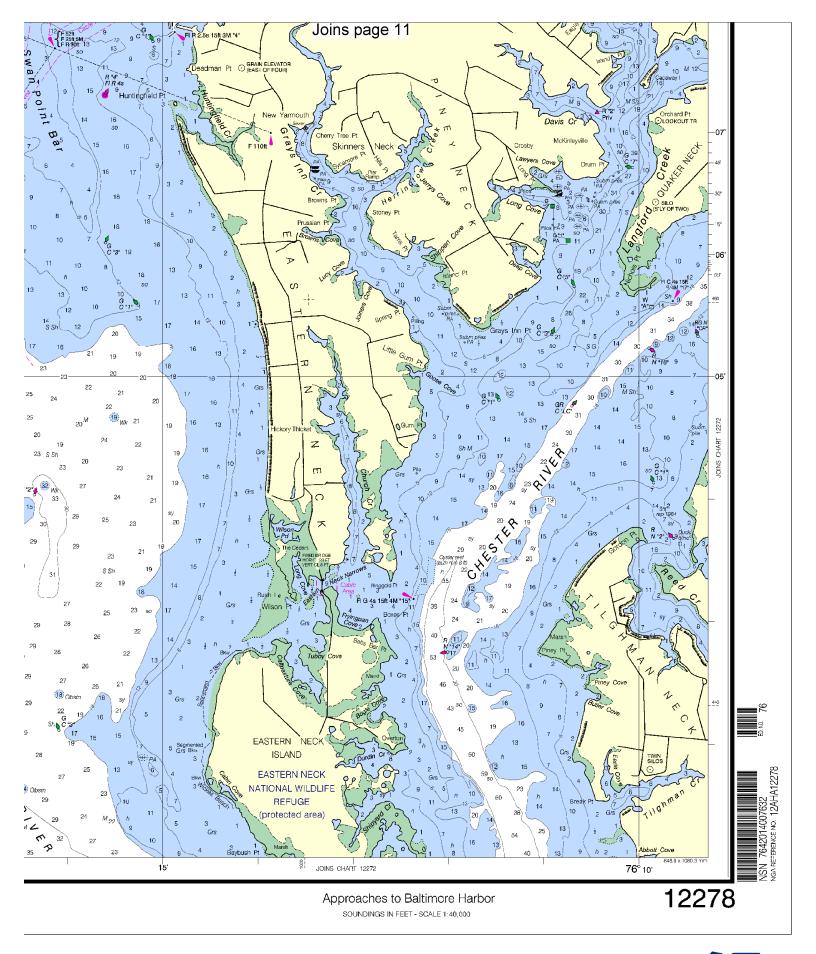
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# **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

# VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Intership safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, harbors.

# Channel 16 - Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22 – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78 – Recreational boat channels.

# **Distress Call Procedures**

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

# HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

**Mobile Phones** – Call 911 for water rescue.

**Coast Guard Search & Rescue** – 800-418-7314/410-576-2525

> **Coast Guard Stillpond** – 410-778-2201-2202 Coast Guard Annapolis – 410-267-8108 **Coast Guard Little Creek** – 757-464-9371/9372 Maryland Natural Resources Police – 410-260-8888 **Delaware Marine Police** – 302-736-4580

**NOAA Weather Radio** – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

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